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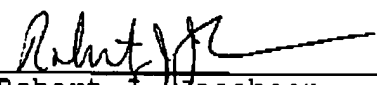
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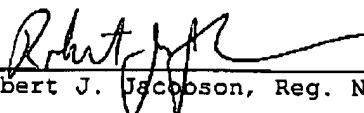
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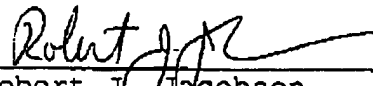
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- b. JP 57-3415
- c. JP 57-110338

For the information of The Patent Office, please find further enclosed a copy of an Observation dated July 26, 2004, filed by a third party in the corresponding Japanese patent application (document "a," three pages). The Observation cites the references listed on the PTO-1449.

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